

employee-management relations in the Federal service, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service.

By Mr. STUBBLEFIELD:

H.R. 15315. A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to designate within the Department of the Interior an officer to establish, coordinate, and administer programs authorized by this act, for the reclamation, acquisition, and conservation of lands and water adversely affected by coal mining operations, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.

H.R. 15316. A bill to provide for orderly trade in textile articles; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. RONAN:

H.J. Res. 1084. Joint resolution to provide for the designation of the second week of May of each year as National School Safety Patrol Week; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. WALDIE:

H.J. Res. 1085. Joint resolution to declare the policy of the United States with respect to its territorial seas; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

MEMORIALS

Under clause 4 of rule XXII, memorials were presented and referred as follows:

305. By the SPEAKER: Memorial of the Legislature of the State of South Carolina, relative to the proposal to amend title I of the Land and Water Conservation Fund Act of 1965 to provide for additional revenues to accrue to the fund; to the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.

306. Also, memorial of the Legislature of the State of South Dakota, relative to the Federal Meat Inspection Act and its adverse effect on independent slaughterhouses and meatpacking plants; to the Committee on Agriculture.

PRIVATE BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 1 of rule XXII, private bills and resolutions were introduced and severally referred as follows:

By Mr. AYRES:

H.R. 15317. A bill for the relief of Renzo Grassini; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. BURTON of California:

H.R. 15318. A bill for the relief of Miss Apollonia Redy Vettore; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. EDWARDS of California:

H.R. 15319. A bill for the relief of Franklin Jacinto Antonio; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. FARBERSTEIN:

H.R. 15320. A bill for the relief of Chuck

Hong Wong; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. FINO:

H.R. 15321. A bill for the relief of Maria Bonavolonta; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. HELSTOSKI:

H.R. 15322. A bill for the relief of Silvio De Luca; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. JONES of Alabama:

H.R. 15323. A bill for the relief of Robert B. Bowers; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. ROONEY of New York:

H.R. 15324. A bill for the relief of Giuseppe Tuttolomondo; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. ROSENTHAL:

H.R. 15325. A bill for the relief of Claudia Schurenberg; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

PETITIONS, ETC.

Under clause 1 of rule XXII, petitions and papers were laid on the Clerk's desk and referred as follows:

241. The SPEAKER presented a petition of Henry Stoner, Avon Park, Fla., relative to placing statues of certain U.S. judges in the U.S. Capitol, which was referred to the Committee on House Administration.

SENATE—Monday, February 12, 1968

The Senate met at 10 o'clock a.m., and was called to order by the President pro tempore (Mr. HAYDEN).

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Under

the previous order of Thursday, February 8, the Senate will stand in adjournment until Wednesday next.

Thereupon (at 10 o'clock and 5 sec-

onds a.m.) the Senate adjourned until Wednesday, February 14, 1968, at 12 o'clock meridian.

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

Parents Proud of Marine Who Hoisted Flag

HON. JOHN E. HUNT

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, February 8, 1968

Mr. HUNT. Mr. Speaker, over the past several days, newspapers throughout the country have been besieged with reports of the latest Vietcong offensive against a number of urban centers across South Vietnam. One of the bloodiest engagements occurred in the city of Hue, capital of Thua Thien Province, where at one point the enemy forces controlled the major portion of the city.

With the determination and spirit that are the mark of our American fighting men, the Vietcong were forced to relinquish the provincial capitol building over which they had flown the North Vietnam flag. In the heat of battle and the ensuing exuberance of victory, three valiant marines raised the Stars and Stripes in its place. I was proud to learn that one of my constituents, Marine Sgt. Frank A. Thomas, Jr., was among those three men. Despite the matter of protocol and custom, which says that the South Vietnamese flag should have been raised, it is a mute point when we consider the inspiration that these men must have felt to see Old Glory fly over the battle-scarred city.

It is a fitting tribute that I include ex-

cerpts from articles which appeared in the Philadelphia Inquirer and the Camden Courier-Post:

[From the Camden (N.J.) Courier-Post, Feb. 6, 1968]

MOTHER IS PROUD, BUT CALM

(By Ken Earl)

"Well, mom, I have to do my duty like everybody else . . ."

With a grim smile Marine Gunnery Sgt. Frank A. Thomas was breaking the news to his mother as gently as he could.

He was soon to be headed for Vietnam. The 34-year-old Leatherneck made the disclosure while home for Thanksgiving with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank A. Thomas Sr. of 341 N. 37th Street.

PROUD OF UNIFORM

"He was proud to wear the uniform," said his mother, "and tried to make us understand that it was his duty to go to Vietnam." On Dec. 6 he arrived in the war-torn country.

Mrs. Thomas wasn't surprised when she heard from the Courier-Post today that her son and two other Marines—keeping a vow they had made—tore down the North Vietnamese flag and raised the Stars and Stripes at Hue after recapturing the Thua Thien Province headquarters from Communist forces.

SAIGON BATTLE RAGES ON

(By Eugene V. Risher)

SAIGON.—Enraged U.S. Marines including a Camden, N.J. father of four ripped down a North Vietnamese flag in the still-embattled city of Hue today and ran up the Stars and Stripes. But fighting spread in the Saigon streets and the air war blazed with new fury.

U.S. spokesmen said about 900 Viet Cong moved from the flaming Cholon sector of Saigon back into the center of the city where street fighting broke out anew. There were battles in the suburbs and at the gates of the Tan Son Nhut Airport.

U.S. Marines fought large scale engagements around the coastal city of Quang Tri just below the Demilitarized Zone (DMZ) and outside Da Nang as spokesmen warned the Communists appeared to be trying to isolate the big cities of Saigon, Hue and Da Nang.

RUNS UP FLAG

UPI correspondent Alvin B. Webb Jr. reported that Marine Capt. Ron Christmas' H Company swore at the sight of the North Vietnam flag atop the provincial Capitol. They smashed through Communist fire, seized the building and Christmas radioed his chief: "We have the building, sir! We're going to run up the American flag."

He turned to his men and said, "Let's go!" and at 4:03 p.m. three Leathernecks yanked down the red flag from the Capitol of Thua Thien province and ran up the U.S. flag—despite custom that says the South Vietnamese flags must fly from South Vietnamese buildings.

The three men were Pfc. Walter Kaczmarek of Port Reading, N.J., Pfc. Allen McDonald of Jacksonville, Fla., and gunnery Sgt. Frank T. Thomas Jr., of Camden, N.J. As they saluted their work machine gun fire splattered in the streets before and wisps of tear gas floated up to them.

[From the Philadelphia Inquirer, Feb. 7, 1968]

PARENTS PROUD OF MARINE WHO HOISTED FLAG

Mr. and Mrs. Frank A. Thomas, of 341 N. 37th st., Camden, were not surprised when